

Councilman Loguercio Oversees Demolition of Long Vacant “Zombie House” in Bellport

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Farmingville, NY – On June 20, Councilman Michael Loguercio (pictured at right) was at 1789 Atlantic Avenue in Bellport to inspect the site where earlier in the day the Town of Brookhaven demolished a vacant and abandoned house. The house, which was vacant for over 10 years, had sustained serious fire damage and was the source of resident complaints leading to numerous Town of Brookhaven housing code violations. The property was cleared of debris and graded by the Town. It was demolished in accordance with Chapter 73 of the Town Code which provides a “fast track” to rid neighborhoods of unsafe structures. The cost of demolition and debris removal is the responsibility of the property owner, and the Town places a lien on the property that is then placed on the tax bill. The County reimburses the Town and then they collect the money from the property owner.

Councilman Loguercio said, “A house like this one lowers the property values of nearby homes and has a detrimental impact on everyone in the neighborhood. I commend our Law and Building Departments for their efforts to remove this eyesore and their efforts to clean up neighborhoods in my district and throughout Town of Brookhaven.”

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